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SUBJECT: EFFORTS TO FORM GOVERNMENT CONTINUE

1. PRIMIN-DESIGNATE DEMIREL, FOLLOWING A MARCH 24 MEETING WITH THE LEADERS OF THE OTHER NATIONALIST FRONT PARTIES, EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT A GOVERNMENT WOULD BE FORMED BY THE END OF THIS WEEK. TWO DAYS EARLIER, DEMIREL NOTED THAT "IF FORMING A GOVERNMENT WERE AN EASY JOB, THE GOVERNMENT CRISIS WOULDN'T HAVE CONTINUED FOR SIX MONTHS." IN ANOTHER STATEMENT MARCH 23, HE DENIED AN ALLEGATION THAT HE WOULD ASK THE PRESIDENT TO APPROVE A MINORITY GOVERNMENT. MEANWHILE, THE NATIONALIST FRONT PARTIES ARE CONTINUING WORK ON A COALITION PROTOCOL.

2. DEMOCRATIC PARTY (DP) DEPUTY KEMAL OZTURK RESIGNED FROM THE DP ON MARCH 23 WITHOUT A PUBLIC EXPLANATION, THUS REDUCING DP STRENGTH TO 40 SEATS. OZTURK HAS NOT ANNOUNCED WHETHER HE WILL EITHER SUPPORT OR JOIN THE NATIONALIST FRONT.

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(IF HE DOES, THE NATIONALIST FRONT WOULD THEN CONTROL 219 SEATS

OF THE 224 NEEDED FOR A MAJORITY OF THE LOWER HOUSE MEMBERSHIP.)
MEANWHILE, LEADING MEMBERS OF THE DP CONTINUED MAKING
STATEMENTS OPPOSING A DEMIREL GOVERNMENT.
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